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To Utah County High Schools

Eighth Grade Graduates Urged to Attend Local Institutions.

Provo, Sept. 9.—County Superintendent Eggertsen has sent the following circular letter to the district superintendents and the trustees of the county:

Provo, August 24, 1907. Dear Public School Pupils, Utah County:

It is very gratifying to state that the High school in American Fork, Pleasant Grove and Spanish Fork, are well prepared for the coming year to give a thorough two years' course, while Springville, Payson and Lehi offers a three-years' course, outlined. These schools will be taught in by competent and experienced instructors that holding the requisite state credentials. It is well for each eighth grade graduate to take advantage of the opportunity afforded, and attend the local High schools and ninth grades at their homes. Get all you can there and you will find that the possibilities will come too for you to go to higher institutions of learning. It is and has been the testimony of parents and pupils that had not been for the local High school the boy or girl as the case may be, would never have entered an institution of higher learning or they would have received but one or two years of work beyond the eighth grade. The home High school offers a training that prepares one to enter the university with a definite purpose. The expenses if considered from the standpoint of a town or an individual is surprisingly low. The training received in class meeting and public gatherings, places one in a position to feel at home when meeting with the student spirit of a big school.

It is a desire very dear to me to see the possibility for a High school education at the door of every boy or girl. The twentieth century demands it. It is ours if we but say the word and act. There need no question arise in the minds of local High school pupils about credits being acknowledged by institutions of higher learning in our state, whatever may be said by uninformed persons to the contrary.

Herewith are given two letters which are self explanatory:

Supt. L. E. Eggertsen, Provo City, Utah. Dear Sir—In answer to your letter of August 19, I wish to state that the university is heartily in favor of public High schools and as a representative of the university I would urge the establishment of such schools in every town large enough to support one. It would be a great advantage in some instances for two, three or more towns to combine in the support of one high school. Of course I am anxious to have whatever work is done by the high schools well done because the university is anxious to give full credit for work completed in the high schools and thus to give all the encouragement and normal support possible toward their perpetuity. Yours Truly,
(Signed.) J. T. KINSBURY.

Brigham Young University, Provo, Aug. 24, 1907.

Supt. L. E. Eggertsen, Provo. Dear Sir—In reply to your request for a brief statement of my views concerning higher education among our people, I will say that a high school education is the heritage of every young person of this

decade. Both the church and the state should make provisions for its youth in this direction, and the young people should be left to make the choice of the best within their reach.

(Signed) G. H. BRIMHALL.
Parents and pupils are urged to look over the course of study as outlined, consult your district superintendent and make close comparisons with the high school courses elsewhere, and you will find them the best studies for any course you may wish to pursue when these are completed.

Let me add here that the state aid for high school is sure to come and the result on which will be submitted at our next state election will bring it, if we do our duty. Soliciting every citizen's support and a large attendance to our high schools, I am,
L. E. EGGERTSEN,
Supt. of Utah Co. schools.

Clyde Sykes Funeral.

Mrs. Mary Sykes and her daughter Carry arrived home Saturday evening from Billings, Montana. The tidings of the death of their son and brother by being struck by lightning had not reached them until they reached Salt Lake. The funeral was held at 3 o'clock in the Third ward meeting house on Sunday. The speakers were: Henry Birch, with S. L. Chipman, Jas. H. Clarke and A. J. Evans. Consoling remarks were made of the doubly bereaved family who one week before had laid to rest Joseph Lee. Carry's husband's, after several weeks of suffering.

Priesthood Meeting

The Monthly priesthood meeting of Alpine Stake convened in the City Hall Saturday Sept. 7, 1907 at 10 a. m. Pres. S. L. Chipman presiding.

Meeting opened by singing, "God Moves in a Mysterious Way".

Prayer was offered by Elder Alfred Keetch.

Roll call showed a good representation of stake and ward officers.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and accepted.

Those recommended for ordination to the priesthood were instructed in their duties by pres. Evans and unanimously sustained.

James H. Walker recently appointed to fill a vacancy in the Pleasant Grove bishopric expressed his willingness to accept the call and hoped he might be able to magnify his office.

Considerable time was occupied in hearing reports from recently returned missionaries.

Singing, "On the Mountain Tops Appearing".

Pres. Jas. H. Clarke gave some instruction to Bishops, regarding the Solemnity that ought to be observed when baptism is being attended to and on other points of doctrine.

Pres. S. L. Chipman reported the late Stake excursion to Wandamere as to complete success, financially and otherwise.

Recommended that parents encourage their sons to take missionary courses of study at the Provo University, as many missionaries will be needed in the near future. Felt very much pleased with the teachings and spirit of this meeting and invoked the blessing of God upon the brethren.

Singing, "Hark, The Song of Jubilee."

Benediction was pronounced by Elder Lot Russon, Sr.

Lumber Dealers A Strong Combine

"Citizen" Goes After Utah County Association in a Lengthy Article—Says There is no Competition in Prices on Building Material.

Editor "Citizen"

Dear Sir, The readers of the Citizen are no doubt all conversant with agitation of late in our state capital with reference to the Butchers' and Grocers' Association, which has finally resulted in the issuance of an order for a Grand Jury to investigate the doings of the said Association, as well as other kindred combines, which are operating within the confines of the state.

The investigation will no doubt meet with the hearty approval of the majority of the people, and hopes are freely expressed that it may result in putting a decided check on trade combines which of late have been rapidly growing in numbers and strength to the detriment of the best interests of the community as a whole.

The people of this neighborhood have cause to congratulate themselves that there is still competition in prices so far as the General Merchandise stores are concerned, and a merchant is still at liberty to sell 16 lbs. sugar for \$1.00 even if his competitor only sells 15 lbs.

There is an organization, however, in the county that the writer believes to be detrimental to the best interests of the community, and should not be overlooked when Grand Jury investigations are in progress.

The readers of the Citizen are no doubt aware that a strong combination exists in Utah County, as well as in some other counties in the state, having for its main object the setting and maintaining of uniform prices on lumber and building material the people buy. The purchaser of lumber here has learned that there is no competition in prices so far as building material is concerned.

If you buy from Mr. Lumberman at American Fork you will pay precisely the same prices as if you bought of Mr. Lumberman at Provo, no matter what quantity you buy or at what price the dealer purchased the lumber that he is selling you. In fact all competition is obliterated, and the only consideration in giving the order is your preference for the dealer to whom you are giving it.

But, said one dealer, "Our prices are as low as prices elsewhere, and there are members of the association who would object to the putting on of unreasonable or oppressive prices." This may or may not be the case. The trouble is: there is a wide difference of opinion as to what a reasonable price is. The surgeon may deem one hundred dollars as reasonable for a slight surgical operation, but to the majority of the people the charge would be considered excessive. Besides the lumber dealers have purchased a good portion of their stock at prices materially lower than what they are at the present time, but he is unable to give the patron any benefit from this source, he must maintain and sell at the Regulation Prices.

We concede the right of the dealer to place whatever price on his goods he may see fit, but dealers have not the right to destroy competition by combining into a trust for the oppression of the public. There is no question but that the Lumber Dealers' Association has had a decided tendency to increase prices. The writer calls to mind one instance where an independent lumberyard was purchased by a Lumber Combine, and almost before the inventory was taken prices were advanced on lumber from two to four dollars per thousand.

But, says one, "Why do not Independent lumber companies start up, which would no doubt have the sympathy of the people?" The answer to this is, that it would be next to impossible for an Independent Company to operate under existing conditions in opposition to the Combine.

There is an understanding existing between the mill men, wholesalers and retailers. The wholesalers say to the mill men, we want your lumber but you must sell only to the association.

The retail lumbermen's Association say to the wholesaler, you must sell only to the Lumber Combine or we can not do business with you, and so it goes.

It is time for the American people to rise up and put a stop to these oppressions.

Thank Heaven, the air we breathe is not controlled by a trust.

The writer is firmly of the opinion that there is no earthly excuse for the

existence of the Lumber Dealers Association in Utah County, so far as price regulating is concerned.

Our Local lumber dealers are men of good business ability, able to set their own prices, and liberal enough, if left alone by the association, to give their patrons the advantage of any good buy they may make or that they may perchance have made in the past.

All good citizens are interested in the upbuilding of the community. We want nice public buildings, residences, fences and outbuildings, and building material is something that should be free from any combination or trust.

Our Commercial Club could prove itself of use to the community by assisting to end the existence of the Lumber Dealers Combine, giving in lieu thereof, good, live, healthy competition.

Let the House cleaning go on.

"A CITIZEN"

Notes From The Schools.

Now that the second week of this season's school work has closed, everything finds itself in full swing at the High school and the grammar grades in the Forbes building, teachers and students alike all seem well enthusiastic over the promising beginning of what appears to be a memorable and profitable work in educational endeavor.

A very pleasant social gathering was held in the teachers' room of the Harrington building on Wednesday afternoon. The affair was given in honor of Miss Alyda Ormond, the retiring principal of the above school. At five o'clock a dainty lunch was served. Trustee Clayton was toast master and short story talks were given by Trustees Forbes and Cunningham, District Supervisor Justesen, Supervisor of Music Owens, and Principal Holman. Miss Ormond heartily responded with a few words, thanking her fellow associates for their kindness and appreciation. The party closed with all singing "Auld Lang Syne," and all expressed to Miss Ormond the best of good wishes for her future happiness and success in her life and work in Salt Lake City where she will reside this winter.

Miss Holman, with Misses Lott and Kate Owens were entertained at the home of Mrs. W. H. Grant on Saturday evening.

The principal and teachers of the Harrington school extend a cordial and special invitation to each and all of the patrons to visit our school, it would be time well spent going through the different departments. One feature of interest is the singing of the six hundred pupils, all taking step to the music of the piano.

The pupils in the Boley's room are taking great interest in their reading.

We have 125 winners this year. Both sessions have been very crowded during the year. The winners have been made to divide the pupils so that hereafter we will be able to get down to better work.

The assembly room of the Forbes school was well crowded, Thursday morning with two hundred pupils of the high school, seventh and eighth grades where some very inspiring short addresses were made. S. L. Chipman spoke on "Proper conduct in home, street, school and church."

Mr. Atwell Wootton, ex county superintendent of Wasatch county schools, and who is one of the oldest teachers of the state spoke on the subject, "If young people could but know as do their elders, what are the objects of life."

Mr. Geo. Snow Gibbs principal of the high school spoke on "How to make a good job of life."

Miss Ada Stark recited, "Massa's old gray goose."

Pleasant Grove News.

Lawrence Monson on his departure for a mission work, was given a surprise party at his home, under the auspices of the Bishopric and President of seventies. A large number of relatives were present and enjoyed an entertaining program, followed by refreshments. Pres. Wm L. Hays presented the departing missionary with a purse of \$30.00 as a token of appreciation from the quorum.

The little son of Nate Pierce who had the misfortune last week to break both arms in falling from an apple tree is recovering nicely under the medical care of Dr. Swan.

On Friday Sept. 5th Sven Swensen's small son fell from a swing and received a fractured collar bone. He is doing as well as can be expected.

The Young Ladies organizations of the three wards will give an excellent conjoint program in Pleasant Grove Meeting house on Sunday evening. The occasion being the resuming of their regular meetings for the season.

The Gardner sisters who have spent the summer with their parents at Pleasant Grove, returned to Salt Lake Sunday.

Mrs. Draper who lost her husband some time ago after a long sickness was given a benefit social in Clark's hall Friday night. A nice sum was raised to assist the deserving sister, who is in very poor circumstances.

Miss Cora Warnick and Lawrence Atwood two of Manila ward's popular young people were married at the Salt Lake temple on Tuesday.

The opening of the District schools has been delayed on account of repairing and arranging rooms for High school. All schools will begin Monday, with an able corps of teachers under Principal Walker.

Dureme Stewart was the victim at a surprise party given at his home Monday evening, by his friends and playmates.

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